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**MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2008  
COMMISSION MEETING**

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**OPEN SESSION**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Shelton called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m., and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich present.

3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes for:  
A. January 10, 2008

The Commission tabled its consideration of the January 10, 2008 minutes for further review.

- B. January 31, 2008

Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the January 31, 2008 Commission meeting minutes.

4. Application for Approval for State Gambling License – Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19851):  
Wine Country Casino/Lodi Cardroom Inc.: Natalie Lewis

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve, without prejudice, the request for withdrawal of the application for a state gambling license

for Wine Country Casino, Item 4. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

5. Applications for Renewal of State Gambling License Including All Associated Applicants and Endorsees (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19876):

A. Central Coast Casino – Paso Robles: David Stearns; Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal license for Central Coast Casino, Item 5.A., for the period of November 1, 2007 through January 31, 2009. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

B. Crystal Casino & Hotel: Celebrity Casino, Inc.: A California Corporation

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal license for the period of April 1, 2008 through July 31, 2009 for Crystal Casino, Item 5.B., including the shareholders and key employees listed in Attachment A, and the existing conditions to continue to remain on the license.

Commissioner Vuksich asked if the rent was based on fair market value and in response Mark Kelegian, CEO, Crystal Casino & Hotel, indicated that it was.

Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

C. Mike's Card Casino: Michael Whiteley, Jr., Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal license for Mike's Card Casino, Item 5.C., for the period from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2010 with Michael Whiteley, Jr. as sole proprietor and Michael Whiteley, Sr. as key employee. Upon motion of Commissioner Schmidt, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

D. Rogelio's: Rogelio's, Inc.

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal license for Rogelio's, Item 5. D., for the period from April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2010 with shareholders: Rogelio Garcia, President/Director, and Mew Ha Garcia, Vice President/Treasurer/Secretary. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by

Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

E. The Player's Club: Monica Donohoo: Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the renewal license for The Player's Club, Item 5.E., for the period from April 1, 2008 through February 28, 2010 with the following Key Employees: William Kracht, Jack Remington, Patricia Abelt, and Sean Clark. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

6. Applications for Initial State Gambling License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code, Section 19851):

Golden West Casino, Kern County Association; Limited Partnership:

Dennis Thomas, Trustee      Steven Thomas, Trustee      Joanne Taratusky, Trustee

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the endorsement of Dennis Thomas, Steven Thomas, and Joanne Taratusky, as Trustees on Golden West Casino's state gambling license through March 31, 2008. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

7. Applications for Key Employee License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19854):

A. Club One Casino: Becky Balistreri      Chandra Nuno      Don Nicholson

B. Crystal Casino & Hotel/Celebrity Casino, Inc.: Diane Gomez

C. Limelight Cardroom: Emery Jakobi

D. Marina Club: Frank Calamia

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applications for a key employee license for Items 7.A. through 7.D. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

8. Applications for Key Employee License – Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869):

Marina Club: Jacob Silva

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve, without prejudice, the request for withdrawal of the application for a key employee license for Jacob Silva, Item 8. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman

Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

9. Applications for Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912):

The 101 Casino: Sopheak Chao      Della Kat-Kuoy

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applications for a work permit for Sopheak Chao and Della Kat-Kuoy. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

10. Applications to Convert Gambling Business Registration to a License- Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19953 and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12233):

Gaming Fund Group, Inc.: William Jubb

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve, with prejudice, the request for withdrawal of the application to convert a gambling business to a license for William Jubb. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

11. Applications to Convert Third Party Proposition Player Services Registration to a License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984 and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12218):

A. California Gaming Consultants Inc.: Jerry Bishop

B. Certified Players, Inc.: Yan Jun Wu

C. Pacific Palace, Inc.:

Kin Chan	Ya Lan He	William On
A Nam Phu	Andrea Saragosa	Lai Shum
Chanthay Svay	Paul Tam	Tuong Ung
Hua Vinh	Kin Wong	Zhi Juan Wu
Ren Guang Yu		

D. Premier Player Providers, Inc.: Julius Klatt

The Commission did not consider the application of Kin Wong, Item 11.C., which was removed from the agenda at the request of staff.

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applications to convert TPPPS registration to a license for Items 11.A. through 11.D. excluding Kin Wong, 11.C. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

12. Applications for Request to Convert Third Party Proposition Player Services (TPPPS) Registration to a License – Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984 and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12218):  
 Gaming Fund Group, Inc.: William Jubb

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve, with prejudice, the request for withdrawal the application to convert TPPPS registration to a license for William Jubb, Item 12. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

13. Applications for Renewal Work Permit (Authority Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19870):  
 A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Uoth Ou  
 B. The 101 Casino: Amy Rink
14. Applications for Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability Initials (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):  
 A. Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians – Agua Caliente Casino: Clyde Norton Jr.  
 B. Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria – Bear River Casino: Brianne Reilly  
 C. Big Sandy Rancheria Band of Western Mono Indians – Mono Wind Casino:  
     Melissa Caballero      Duane Contreras  
 D. Cabazon Band of Mission Indians – Fantasy Springs Casino:  
     Stephen Harding      Stephen Oskiera  
 E. Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community of the Colusa Rancheria – Colusa Casino and Bingo: Rajinder Chauhan  
 F. Hopland Band of Pomo Indians of the Hopland Rancheria – Sho-Ka-Wah Casino:  
     Spencer Kimball  
 G. Middletown Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians – Twin Pine Casino: Richard Yee Jr.  
 H. Morongo Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Morongo Reservation – Morongo Casino Resort & Spa:  
     Suzette Moreno      Colin Stewart  
 I. Pala Band of Mission Indians – Pala Casino:  
     Jermaine Raham      Oscar Saenz      Jeff Situ  
 J. Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma and Yuima Reservation – Casino Pauma: Daniel Salinas  
 K. Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation – Pechanga Resort and Casino:  
     Yu Chen      Elmer Flores      Gerald Kramer  
     Alla Shut      Alisa Woody      Dany Wright

- L. Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians – Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino:  
Michael Hard                      Jared Kerbow
- M. Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians – Harrah's Rincon:  
Esequiel Fernandez      Eric Garwood                      Laura Giuffreda
- N. Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians – Cache Creek Casino Resort:  
Christopher                      Yan Khorn                      Cheryl Lopez  
Concepcion
- O. San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Valley View Casino:  
Joe Chavez                      David Spence Jr.
- P. Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation – Chumash Casino: Patricia McMahon
- Q. Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Sycuan Casino: Daniel Rice
- R. Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation – Eagle Mountain Casino:  
Karen Jones
- S. United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria – Thunder Valley Casino:  
John Jackson                      Mey Saephanh                      Flordeliza Santos  
Wilfredo Vilorio
- T. Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians - Viejas Casino and Turf Club:  
Asghar Ali                      Ana Flores                      Rosegin Johnson

15. Applications for Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability Renewals: (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

- A. Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians – Coyote Valley Shodaki Casino:  
Ray Crabtree                      Charles Durfee                      William Laster Jr.
- B. La Posta Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the La Posta Indian Reservation – La Posta Casino:  
Margot Laguna                      Daniel Leon                      Garret Roquet
- C. Morongo Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Morongo Reservation – Morongo Casino Resort & Spa:  
Kendra Pimentel                      Jess Tatro III
- D. Pala Band of Mission Indians – Pala Casino:  
Stacy Hoover                      Dale Isbell                      Lynda Jackson  
Sherry Lambert                      Ralph Lincoln                      William Richards  
Russell Street                      Lean Welton                      Dina West-King  
Herb Wright
- E. Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians – Chukchansi Gold Resort and Casino:  
Jaimelind Dandin                      David Hunt II                      Lorena Lopez
- F. Redding Rancheria – Win-River Casino: George Felix
- G. Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians – Harrah's Rincon:  
Charompol                      Debbie Manders                      Janet Tweedy  
Hongthong
- H. Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians – Cache Creek Casino Resort:  
Lynda Hong
- I. San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians of the San Manuel Reservation – San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino:

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|  | Danny Kim       | Rosie Parsons | Jonathan Raef |
|  | Debra Rodriguez | Maria Soto    |               |
- J. San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Valley View Casino:  
Michele Fernandez      Jay McNeal      Gloria Myers  
Phillip Valverde
- K. Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria – Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino:  
Cynthia Maciel      Brenda Malott      Julian Martinez  
Juan Moreno      Allen Pierce      Chio Saechao  
Ken Saechao      Robin Scott      Henry Sedillo  
Frelen Soliman      Dwayne Swenson      Jeremy Thompson  
Frederick Zapanta
- L. Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation – Chumash Casino:  
Francisco Andrade III      Emma Montoya
- M. Santa Ysabel Band of Digueno Mission Indians – Santa Ysabel Casino:  
Philip Pepple
- N. Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Sycuan Casino:  
John Baines      Amy Brooks      Annie Bui  
Andre Logan Jr.      Erika Mincey      Maria More  
Adam Morris      William Murray      Jennifer Ng  
Kristie Walker
- O. Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria – Black Oak Casino:  
Candace Robinson
- P. Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians – Spotlight 29 Casino:  
Juan Lozano      Javier Quintero
- Q. United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria – Thunder Valley Casino:  
Reynaldo Saclolo
- R. Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians - Viejas Casino and Turf Club:  
Dale Frantz      John Webb      Alfredo Zermeno

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve Consent Calendar Items 13 through 15. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Reverend James Butler, California Coalition Against Gambling Expansion, presented comments concerning the Lucky Chances Cardroom and the Commission's action with regards to the license of Rene Medina.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Chairman Shelton announced that the Commission would adjourn to Closed Session to hold discussions of confidential information pursuant to Government Code section 11126.4. At 1:40 p.m. the Commission adjourned to Closed Session.

Chairman Shelton reconvened to open session at 2:20 p.m. with Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu and Vuksich present and announced that there was no action taken during closed session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu, and unanimously carried in a roll call vote, with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.



## ATTACHMENT A

### **Crystal Casino & Hotel Shareholders and Key Employees** **March 13, 2008 Commission Meeting**

#### **Shareholders:**

Walter Lack, Director (40%)

Haig Kelegian, Sr., Director (20%)

Haig Kelegian, Jr., Chief Financial Officer, Corporate Secretary, and Director (15%)

Mark Kelegian, President, Chief Executive Officer, and Director (15%)

Leo Chu, (10%)

#### **Key Employee(s):**

Joseph Padilla - Operations Manager

Mindy Loeung – Lead Floorperson

Prathueng Wattananukij – Lead Floorperson

Zarik Esmaili – Lead Floorperson

Jonathan Ma – Lead Floorperson (approved on January 10, 2008)